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CORRECTION

HIGHWAY 150 REPAIRS TO BEGIN

Santa Paula – Work is anticipated to begin this weekend (weather permitting) on an emergency contract to repair Highway 150 between Ojai and Santa Paula, which has been closed since mid-January due to storm-related damage.

The \$1.5 million project, expected to complete in approximately two months, will consist of constructing a retaining wall and restoring the road in the area south of Thomas Aquinas College. The road in this area will remain closed during construction. After work is completed, three portions of the highway will reopen as a single lane accommodating both eastbound and westbound traffic.

The use of a single lane to accommodate both eastbound and westbound traffic, controlled by signals, will be used throughout the corridor as repair takes place at other storm-damaged locations. Highway 150 sustained severe storm damage in 14 places. Motorists are advised to drive carefully and expect delays.

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